

Status of Resources and Training System (SORTS) and Designed Operational Capability (DOC) Statements,

and the

AEF Reporting Tool (ART)

#### Overview

- 1. Unit taskings vs. Reporting
- 2. SORTS DOC Statements
- 3. SORTS
- 4. ART
- 5. SORTS vs. ART vs. Other reporting tools

#### References:

SORTS: AFI 10-201, Dec 2003; CJCSM 3150-2

ART: AFI 10-244, AEF ART Reporting

# Unit Taskings vs. Reporting

- Units are tasked by:
  - Inclusion in the AFWUS
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  - Functional Area Manager letter
- Air Force units report readiness through two systems:
  - SORTS
    - Units compare the resources on-hand to a set of requirements defined in the SORTS DOC statement
  - ART
    - Units report their ability to perform the MISCAPs for all UTCs tasked in the AFWUS

# Definition SORTS DOC Statement

## Designed Operational Capability (DOC) Statement or SORTS DOC Statement:

- Document prepared by the parent MAJCOM for each measured unit which contains unit identification, mission tasking narrative, mission specifics and the resources to be measured in SORTS
- Summarizes and reflects some of the tasking requirements established in approved plans and directives

# SORTS DOC Statement Purposes

- Primary: Defines a cross section of unit requirements as a <u>baseline for SORTS</u> <u>reporting</u>
- Secondary: Unit CC'S reference of unit's capabilities
- Tertiary: Reflects most OPLAN and CONPLAN taskings
- SORTS DOC Statements are not used to establish, organize, design, equip, or task units

#### SORTS DOC Statement

# IAW AFI 10 - 201 A2.2: Units Required To Have A SORTS DOC Statement (AFF 723 or approved facsimile):

- Not every unit in the Air Force is required to have a SORTS DOC Statement
- Units tasked against an OPLAN, Concept Plans, Operations Plan 8044 Revision 03, or have standard UTCs coded as simultaneously available for deployment under war time surge conditions (DWS or DWX), or other tasking documents, are required to have SORTS DOC Statements

#### Measured Units

Air Force active duty, Reserve, and Air National Guard units that are registered in SORTS with a Unit Descriptor Code (UDC) identifying it as one of 3 categories:

#### **Combat Unit:**

Primary mission is destruction of enemy forces and/or installations

#### **Combat Support Unit:**

Primary mission is to furnish operational assistance for the combat elements

#### **Combat Service Support Unit:**

Primary mission is to provide support to combat forces, primarily in the fields of administration and logistics





## Measured Unit Examples (AFI 10-201, Tables A2.1 - A2.4)

1. COMBAT UNITS:

AIRCRAFT COMBAT UNITS:

**BOMBER** 

**FIGHTER** 

**SPECIAL OPERATIONS** 

RECONNAISSANCE

**NON-AIRCRAFT COMBAT UNITS:** 

**ICBMs** 

RESCUE

**SPECIAL TACTICS** 

2. COMBAT SUPPORT UNITS:

**FLYING UNITS:** 

**TANKERS** 

AIRLIFT

**ELECTRONIC COMBAT** 

RECONNAISSANCE

E AWACS

**WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE** 

**NONFLYING UNITS:** 

**ELECTRONIC SECURITY** 

COMMUNICATIONS

**CIVIL ENGINEERING** 

**SPACE OPERATIONS** 

3. COMBAT SERVICE SUPT UNITS:

**SERVICES** 

MISSION SUPPORT

**SECURITY FORCES** 

**LOGISTICS READINESS** 

MEDICAL

**AERIAL PORT** 

COMBAT LOGISTICS SUPPORT

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# SORTS DOC Statement Development

- Developed by parent MAJCOM & unit
  - Overall responsibility (OPR) rests with the FAM
  - Focused on most stringent wartime requirement
    - Multiple are possible for mobility, generation, nuclear, conventional
  - Prepared using an AF Form 723
  - Emailed to unit command post by the MAJCOM
  - Unit command post forwards to reporting unit
  - Changed as required
  - Reviewed annually by respective FAM
- OPR is HQ USAF/XOOA

# SORT'S DOC Statement Format

- AF Form 723, in Six Sections:
  - I Unit Identification
  - II Mission Identification
  - III Measured Resource Areas
  - IV Amplifying Notes
  - V Gaining Commands
  - VI Coordination/Review

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# SORTS DOC Statement Classification

- According to source of data
  - Flying unit:
    - Secret due to mission capability info such as wartime aircraft activity and/or planning factors (AF WMP Volumes 4 and 5)
  - Combat Support/Service Support units
    - Unclassified unless statement identifies OPLAN or CONPLAN tasking or the unit has a special mission



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## SORTS Reporting

Every month

#### <u>OR</u>

- When:
  - Overall C-level changes
  - A measured area C-level changes
  - Reasons for C-levels change



 New unit commanders should report as soon as possible after taking command



## SORTS Reporting

- Objective Assessments
- Subjective Assessments

# Category Level Assessment Objective Assessment: 4 Measured Resource Areas

- Personnel: Are they manned to deliver it?
- Training: Are they trained?
- Equipment & Supplies: Do they have the stuff we have committed them to deliver?
- Equipment Condition: Does it work?

### Category Level

#### **C-1**

• The unit possesses the required resources and is trained to undertake the <u>full wartime mission(s)</u> for which it is organized or designed. The resource and training area status will neither limit flexibility in method for mission accomplishment nor increase vulnerability of unit personnel and equipment. The unit <u>does not require any compensation for deficiencies</u>.

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	- TOTAL	90 - 100%
	- CRITICAL	85 - 100%
•	S-1 EQUIP/SUPPLIES ON HAND	90 - 100%
•	R-1 EQUIPMENT CONDITION	90 - 100%
	T-1 TRAINING	85 - 100%

## Category Level

**C-2** 

The unit possesses the required resources and is trained to undertake most of the wartime mission(s) for which it is organized or designed. The resource and training area status may cause isolated decreases in flexibility in method for mission accomplishment, but will not increase vulnerability of the unit under most envisioned operational scenarios. The unit would require little, if any compensation for deficiencies.

- P-2 PERSONNEL
  - TOTAL 80 89%
  - CRITICAL 75 84%
- S-2 EQUIP & SUPPLIES ON HAND 80 89%
- R-2 EQUIPMENT CONDITION 70 89%
- T-2 TRAINING 70 84%

# Category Level C-3

• The unit possesses the required resources and is trained to undertake many, but not all, portions of the wartime mission(s) for which it is organized or designed. The unit would require significant compensation for deficiencies.

P-3 PERSONNEL

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	- TOTAL	70 - 79%
	- CRITICAL	65 - 74%
•	S-3 EQUIP & SUPPLIES ON HAND	65 - 79%
•	R-3 EQUIPMENT CONDITION	60 - 69%
	T-3 TRAINING	55 - 69%

# Category Level C-4

The unit requires additional resources or training to undertake its wartime mission(s), but it may be directed to undertake portions of its wartime mission(s) with resources on hand.

- P-4 PERSONNEL
  - TOTAL 0 69%
  - CRITICAL 0 64%
- S-4 EQUIP & SUPPLIES ON HAND 0 64%
- R-4 EQUIPMENT CONDITION 0 59%
- T-4 TRAINING 0 54%

#### Category Level

C-

- The unit is undergoing a <u>service-directed</u> resource action and is not prepared, at this time, to undertake the wartime mission for which it is organized or designed.
  - Authorization for reporting C-5 rests with MAJCOM / CC
  - Used only as overall assessment
  - Undergoing major equipment conversions / MDS change
  - Placed in cadre status
  - Being activated, reactivated, or deactivated

### Category Level

C-

- Unit is not required toneasure assets in a specified area.
- Example: Unit tasked only to provide personnel would report:
  - S-6 for EQUIP & SUPPLIES ON HAND
  - R-6 for EQUIPMENT CONDITION
- C-6 is not to be used for overall C-level.

# Category Level Assessment Subjective Assessment

- Overall / <u>Subjective</u> Assessment
  - Assigned by unit commander
    - C-level normally equals lowest measured area
    - CC can raise or lower to better reflect true capability
    - CC must provide rationale for changes
  - Units reporting less than C-1 must provide reasons
  - Accurate reporting necessary
    - Supported commanders relying on unit's capa
    - Can't fix it if HHQs doesn't know it's broken

### Subjective Factors

- Availability of personnel able to accomplish mission tasks but who don't have required AFSC or skill level.
- Unusually high or low formal education level or morale.
- <u>Availability</u> of older items able to substitute functionally with required items.
- Quality of training and <u>availability</u> and <u>quality</u> of facilities, areas, ranges, flying hours, etc.

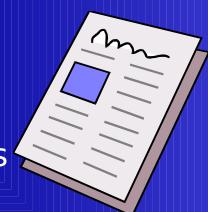
## Assessing a Unit Factors to Consider

- When Assigning An Overall C-Level
  - Objective
    - Lowest of the four measured resource area levels (except C-6) equals Overall C-Level
  - Subjective \*Commanders Assessment\*
    - Certain factors may warrant upgrade or downgrade of Overall C-Level
    - Key to the SORTS reporting process

Ref: AFI 10-201, Chap 1, Pg. 15

## SORTS Report Content

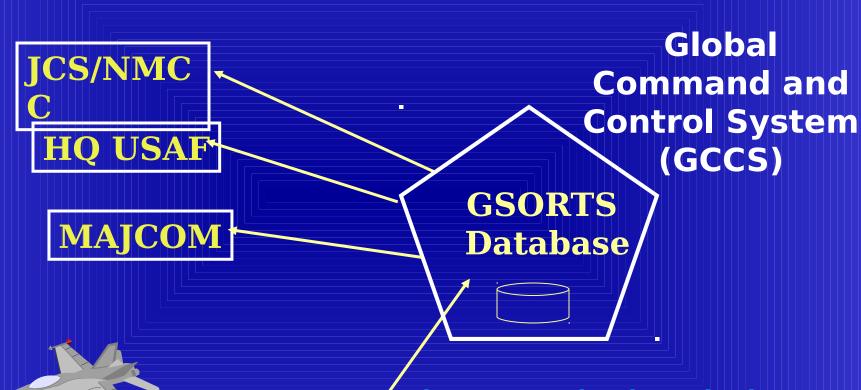
- Basic identity of reporting unit
- Reporting organization and transfer status
- General status (3, 6, 12 Month C-Level Forecast)
- Personnel strength status
- Resources and training status
- Equipment and crew status
- Reserve Component organization status
- Remarks



# Classifying SORTS Readiness Data

- Particular data elements for one unit are, at a minimum, CONFIDENTIAL. However, individuals classifying SORTS reports must consider other classification guidance including OPLANs. Consider the following:
  - Resource areas percentages and/or C-levels associated with affected units
  - Overall C-level associated with affected units
  - Reason codes associated with remarks
  - Limiting factors when associated with affected unit
  - The association of the unit with its OPLAN(s) tasking is classified at the level of the OPLAN -- usually SECRET
- Aggregate SORTS data will be classified at the same or higher level as the highest classified component parts or segments of SORTS data

## SORTS Report Routing



Measured Combat, Combat Support, or Combat Service Supt Direct reporting by unit via DMS, or SIPRNET FTP from Wing Command Post

#### SORTS Purpose

- 1. Compares the resources on hand to those requirements identified in the SORTS DOC statement and reports the results of the comparison
- 2. Provides data critical to crisis action planning by assisting in unit selection utilizing real time readiness data for a cross section of UTCs
- 3. Provides data for the deliberate planning process by assisting in unit selection
- 4. Used by the CSAF and subordinate commanders to assess effectiveness in meeting Title 10, U.S.C. responsibilities

# Importance of SORTS reporting:

- Management tool for the CJCS, Services, Unified Commands, Combat Support Agencies
- Single automated reporting system within DoD that functions as central registry of all operational units of the US Armed Forces
- It provides:
  - Data critical to Crisis Action Planning
  - Provides data for the Deliberate Planning Process
- Used by CSAF and subordinate commanders in assessing their effectiveness in meeting Title 10, United States Code responsibility
- Used by USAF to assess readiness and impact of budgetary allocations and management actions on unit level readiness



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### AEF Reporting Tool

Reference:

ART: AFI 10-244, AEF ART Reporting

### AEF Reporting Tool (ART)

- Assists AEF Center in planning, configuring, scheduling, preparing, and assessing AEFs
- SIPRNET Web based reporting tool
- Report can be viewed by anyone with access to the SIPRNET
- OPR is AF/XOOA
- Same Measured Resource Areas as SORTS Reporting
- Morks on 29 day cycle, report is sent up by AEFC on 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, so updates must be received by then or brief will include the number and age of UTC reports not updated

### AEF Reporting Tool (ART)

- Reports the ability of a unit to perform its tasked UTC MISCAPs
- UTCs must be assessed or updated every 30 days or within 24 hours of a major status change
- ART reflects last reported if you haven't updated or resent the report within 29 days
- Must include remarks if showing Yellow or Red on stoplight chart
  - Green = UTC has everything required IAW MEFPAK
- 6 weeks before units in the bucket, have to get readiness certification by SQ/CC, WG, NAF, MAJCOM
- UTCs must be marked as tasked to deploy within 5 days of unit receiving deployment notification

### ART Database Composition

- Only D-coded UTCs
  - In the AEF TPFDD libraries the first number of the ULN identifies the UTC coding
    - 1 = DWS (Available for War or Steady State)
    - 3 = DXS (Available for Steady State)
    - 5 = DWX (Available for War)
    - 7 = DXX (If willing to "Break the Base")
    - This UTC is a DWX ULN UTC 5749M 4F9X9
- A-UTCs (A coded/Associate) are not reportable in ART
  - In ART you report on the UTC's ability to perform its MISCAP. A-UTCs do not have a MISCAP
- Incorporated TAS/PAS Code database into ART
  - Drives Certification Report and Aggregated Record Count
  - Unit names

### Assess the UTC

- Assess the UTCs ability to meet its MISCAP
  - In the big scheme of things, AEF alignment is not a factor
    - AEF is a way to divide up forces against a time frame for predictability, but a UTC could be called upon at any time
  - Assess the UTCs ability to go anywhere in the world and perform its mission
  - Do not take into consideration where the UTC is potentially planned to deploy
    - This has nothing to do with steady state commitments (ex. OEF)
  - If the UTC is required to have equipment it must have the equipment available
    - You cannot plan to fall in on equipment at a specific location
      - You may not deploy to that location
      - Another unit may already be using that equipment

### What ART Provides

- ART enables commander's to report the ability of an individual UTC to perform its Mission Capability Statement (MISCAP) anywhere in the world at the time of the assessment
  - Highlights missing resources
  - Helps to quantify the cost of moving to AEF
    - Increased training and equipment cost
  - Helps to quantify missing requirements for additional justification when submitting budgets
- Gives the ability to evaluate UTC prior to tasking
  - Pick the UTC with the best capability to meet tasking
  - Help to forecast shortfalls and be proactive instead of reactive
- Only system that looks at modular, scaleable UTCs

### Who's Looking at Your Data?

- Air Staff (CSAF on down)
  - 3rd Monday of the Month
    - Big picture Greens, Yellows, Reds, Not Reported, Overdue
- CORONA
  - Tasker Why are there Not Reported (never-beenreported) UTCs
- MAJCOMs
  - Many brief when SORTS briefed
- AEF Center Schedulers
  - Using ART to help make better nomination decisions
- Joint Forces Command
  - Certification

### Comparing the Reporting Tools

### Joint Quarterly Readiness Review (JQRR)

- Combatant Commander's capabilities assessment
- "The Joint Perspective"
- Scenario driven
- Combatant Commander runs a scenario against OPLANS with unit info to decide if the tasked mission can be accomplished
- Assesses
  - Joint readiness capabilities
  - Ability to integrate and synchronize forces to execute assigned mission
  - Key functional areas that enable Combatant Commanders to utilize forces
- Less than 5 years old
  - Also a quarterly version of this review
- Operational level review

### SORTS

- Services unit readiness
- Snapshot updated monthly or when changes occur
- Doesn't include all units
- <u>Tactical level</u> review

### AEF Reporting Tool (ART)

- AF Only
- Reports on every deployable UTC in the AFWUS / AEF TPFDD Library
- Reports the ability of a UTC to perform MISCAP

### ART' vs. SORTS

#### <u>ART</u>

- 1. AF Only
- 2. Can UTC perform MISCAP?
- 3. Reports on all UTCs in AFWUS
- 4. Based on AFWUS, AEF TPFDD Library
- 5. 29 day cycle; within 24 hours of a change; 6 week out certification
- 6. UTC assessment tool
- 7. Stoplight

#### **SORTS**

- 1. Joint
- 2. Can unit support wartime mission?
- 3. Reports against DOC statement
- 4. Based on MTW, OPlan commitments
- 5. Monthly report or within 24 hours of a change
- 6. Management tool
- 7. C-Rating

### Compiled ... Strategic Perspective

- Combine SORTS (resources) with JQRR (capabilities) to get a Strategic Perspective for CJCS and SECDEF
- Current feedback / assessment for USAF:
  - Downward trends in:
    - Mission Capable Rates
    - Pilot Retention
    - AFQT Scores (Education and Family Values)
  - Increasing OPTEMPO and Aging Equipment
  - Risk is increasing needs attention
- SECDEF take:
  - Emphasis on modernization and readiness (compete for \$)
  - Assume no decrease in OPTEMPO
  - Decrease infrastructure (2 more BRACs)
  - Exploit revolution in business affairs; free up GIs for deployments

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### Summary SORTS Reporting

- Category Level Assessment
  - Objective Assessment (Raw data) -- 4 Measured Areas:
    - Personnel
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    - Training
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#### ART:

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#### • SORTS:

- DOD system
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